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DAYTON MAN PLEADS GUILTY FOR FAILURE TO REGISTER AS SEX OFFENDER

Committed Additional Sex Offenses While Unregistered

DAYTON – Alfred W. Cash, age 50 of Dayton, pleaded guilty today in United States District Court to one count of Failure to Register as a Sex Offender. Cash also pleaded guilty to two counts of gross sexual imposition in Montgomery County Common Pleas Court in November, which offenses were committed by Cash while he was in an unregistered status.

Gregory G. Lockhart, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, and James M. Wahlrab, United States Marshal for the Southern District of Ohio, and Dayton Police Chief Richard Biehl, announced the plea entered today before United States District Judge Walter Herbert Rice.

Cash was arrested on September 2, 2008 by members of the Southern Ohio Fugitive Apprehension Strike Team (SOFAST), which includes Deputy U.S. Marshals and Dayton Police Officers, on an arrest warrant out of Indiana after Cash failed to update his sex offender registration there. He has been in police custody since his arrest. As part of his plea agreement, Cash agreed to a sentencing enhancement for committing a sex offense while in an unregistered status, having pleaded guilty to the gross sexual imposition charges last month. Cash also agreed to a recommendation to the District Court that his federal sentence be served consecutive to his state court sentence on the Montgomery County charges. Cash faces a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison on the federal charge and up to a lifetime on supervised release. Cash is scheduled for sentencing in federal court on March 12, 2009.

Cash was convicted of rape of a child under age 14 in Oklahoma in 1990. He relocated to Indiana in 1998 after his release from prison on the rape conviction and maintained a current sex offender registration there from 2004 until July, 2007. According to the statement of facts contained in the plea agreement, Cash admitted that at no time did he notify Ohio authorities of his address in Dayton, or register in Ohio as a sex offender, nor notify Indiana authorities that he had moved to Ohio in September, 2007. Under the Sexual Offender Registration and

Notification Act (SORNA), Cash is required to register as a sex offender as a result of his 1990 rape conviction in another state.

SORNA is part of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act in 2006. The law requires anyone convicted of sex crimes under federal law, or anyone convicted in state court and traveling in interstate commerce, to register with law enforcement agencies where they live, work or are a student.

Lockhart commended the investigation by the U.S. Marshals Service, Dayton Police Department, and Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura Clemmens, who is prosecuting the case.

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